



Louisiana Crop Progress and Condition

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 4.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 4, 2019. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 9 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 12 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 7 percent short, 78 percent adequate, and 15 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 69.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Leesville to 74.9 degrees Fahrenheit at Minden. Highs ranged from 86.8 degrees Fahrenheit at Galliano to 94.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Minden. Precipitation received ranged from light to heavy throughout the State, with the highest concentration in the southeast part of the State with an average of 4.13 inches.

Crop progress for week ending August 4, 2019

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn, dent	98	90	100	97
Corn, mature	60	45	74	71
Corn, harvested	7	2	10	13
Cotton, squaring	100	98	100	100
Cotton, setting bolls	91	72	99	93
Cotton, open bolls	13	7	16	13
Hay, second cutting	84	81	85	74
Rice, headed	87	82	97	94
Rice, mature	41	19	67	55
Rice, harvested	21	4	30	26
Sorghum, headed	100	98	100	100
Sorghum, coloring	91	80	92	92
Sorghum, mature	64	33	70	62
Sorghum, harvested	13	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Soybeans, blooming	99	95	100	98
Soybeans, setting pods	91	81	98	92
Soybeans, turning color	22	17	20	26
Soybeans, dropping leaves	6	3	11	9
Soybeans, mature	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sugarcane, planted	3	0	4	5

(NA) Not available.

Crop condition for week ending August 4, 2019

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	0	6	35	55	4
Cotton	0	0	28	62	10
Livestock	0	6	40	48	6
Pasture	0	5	40	50	5
Rice	1	4	29	60	6
Sorghum	0	10	51	38	1
Soybeans	1	5	33	53	8
Sugarcane	1	7	33	50	9
Sweet potatoes	0	5	32	62	1
Vegetables	0	10	36	53	1

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service Parish Agents

"Rainy weather slowed rice harvest and prevented hay harvest. Sugarcane was growing well as were pastures. Rice yields were off. Breeding season is over for most cattle operations."

– Andrew Granger, Vermilion Parish

"Wet conditions and rainfall delayed rice harvest in some areas. Pasture conditions were good but certain areas below the Intracoastal were still abnormally wet with water not receding in the marshes."

–Bradley Pousson, Cameron Parish

"More rice was harvested last week. Yields varied. Soybeans were setting pods nicely and seemed to have benefited from some rainfall as they jumped in height."

– Jeremy Hebert, Acadia Parish

"Rainy weather kept fields wet and complicated the start of cane planting and rice harvest. Short plant cane benefited from the delay and had the opportunity to put on late season growth. Soybeans were still about 3 weeks away from harvest. Hay fields were over mature and rank with weeds. Crawfish producers continued to plant forage in ponds. Cole crops and tomatoes were being planted in fall gardens."

– Stuart Gauthier, Saint Martin Parish

Louisiana Weather Summary for Week Ending August 4, 2019

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm ¹	DFN ²	One Week	Rain Days	DFN ²	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN ²
Northwest										
Minden	94.3	74.9	84.6	82.6	2.0	0.55	2	-0.08	1.56	-1.40
Mooringsport	89.2	72.4	80.8	83.2	-2.4	0.30	2	-0.43	0.63	-2.22
Red River	92.1	73.6	82.9	83.5	-0.6	0.17	1	-0.58	0.55	-2.48
Shreveport	93.7	71.0	82.4	83.1	-0.7	0.05	2	-0.82	0.38	-3.50
Extreme/Average	92.3	73.0	82.7	83.1	-0.5	0.27	2	-0.48	0.78	-2.40
North central										
Calhoun	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farmerville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Homer	89.1	70.4	79.8	81.1	-1.3	0.03	2	-0.70	3.17	0.05
Extreme/Average	89.1	70.4	79.8	81.7	-1.3	0.03	2	-0.70	3.17	0.05
Northeast										
Lake Providence	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
St Joseph	91.2	69.8	80.5	82.8	-2.3	1.28	3	0.61	7.94	4.84
Tallulah	88.2	71.8	80.3	82.3	-2.0	0.20	1	-0.28	4.89	2.72
Winnsboro	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	3.94	2.40
Extreme/Average	89.7	70.8	80.4	82.7	-2.1	0.74	3	0.16	5.59	3.32
West central										
Ashland	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hodges Gardens	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	83.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Leesville	91.7	69.1	80.4	81.8	-1.4	1.85	4	1.00	2.57	-0.82
Natchitoches	92.4	72.9	82.6	83.6	-1.0	0.79	2	-0.06	1.90	-1.99
Extreme/Average	92.1	71.0	81.5	82.6	-1.2	1.32	4	0.47	2.23	-1.41
Central										
Alexandria	88.6	71.4	80.0	83.6	-3.6	3.45	2	2.45	6.84	3.02
Bunkie	88.3	69.9	79.1	82.7	-3.6	6.27	3	5.54	19.54	16.41
Eunice	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	84.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Jonesville Locks	88.4	69.7	79.1	82.9	-3.8	3.10	3	2.33	9.04	5.76
New Roads	91.9	73.7	82.8	82.9	-0.1	0.36	5	-0.63	7.01	3.48
Extreme/Average	89.3	71.2	80.2	83.2	-2.8	3.29	5	2.42	10.61	7.17
East central										
Baton Rouge	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hammond	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Norwood	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	2.28	2	(NA)	8.53	(NA)
Slidell	88.6	72.6	80.6	82.1	-1.5	2.36	2	0.71	13.49	7.43
Extreme/Average	88.6	72.6	80.6	82.0	-1.5	2.32	2	0.71	11.01	7.43
Southwest										
Crowley	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.4	(NA)	1.99	4	0.90	8.00	3.24
DeRidder	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Jennings	88.4	72.6	80.5	82.5	-2.0	0.74	4	-0.34	7.14	2.88
Oberlin Fire	87.4	72.7	80.1	82.2	-2.1	3.47	3	2.39	22.58	18.02
Extreme/Average	87.9	72.7	80.3	82.4	-2.1	2.07	4	0.98	12.57	8.05
South central										
Donaldsonville	89.6	71.4	80.5	82.0	-1.5	1.26	6	-0.07	8.21	2.67
Jeanerette	89.1	72.3	80.7	82.4	-1.7	3.19	5	1.77	16.90	11.17
Lafayette	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Morgan City	88.4	74.6	81.5	82.3	-0.8	2.66	5	1.16	7.92	2.83
Extreme/Average	89.0	72.8	80.9	82.2	-1.3	2.37	6	0.95	11.01	5.56
Southeast										
Galliano	86.8	73.7	80.3	82.5	-2.3	3.47	5	1.87	13.04	6.83
Gonzales	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	5.59	5	4.38	8.41	3.80
Grand Isle	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
New Orleans	87.7	73.0	80.3	84.4	-4.1	3.33	3	2.53	21.10	14.89
Extreme/Average	87.2	73.3	80.3	83.5	-3.2	4.13	5	2.93	14.18	8.51
State	89.2	71.9	80.6	82.6	-1.9	1.99	4	0.98	8.57	4.67

(NA) Not available.
¹ Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.
² Departure from normal.